

DETAILED ACTION

Response to Amendment

1. The amendment and written response filed 10/07/2008 has been entered and considered.
2. Claims 1-5, 7, 9, 11-16, 20-21 and 23-27 have been cancelled.
3. Claims 6, 8, 10, 17 and 22 have been amended.
4. Claims 6, 8, 10, 17-19 and 22 are pending.
5. Upon cancellation of claims 1-5, 7, 9, 11-16, 20-21 and 23-27, the rejection of claims 1-5, 7, 9, 11-16, 20-21 and 23-27 has been withdrawn.
6. Upon entry of the amendment, the objection of claims 6, 8, 10, 17 and 22 has been withdrawn.

Allowable Subject Matter

7. Claims 6, 8, 10, 17-19 and 22 allowed.

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

Claims 6, 8, 10, 17 and 22 have been amended into independent form with allowable subject matter as indicated in the previous office action dated 08/08/2008.

Claims 18-19 are dependent upon claim 17.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

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Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Tom Y. Lu whose telephone number is (571)272-7393. The examiner can normally be reached on 8:30AM-5PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Brian Werner can be reached on (571)-272-7401. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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